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Blower or Chainsaw? The smarter buy depends on your garden job

Compare EGO Power+ LB5300 blower vs DEWALT 18V XR DCM565N-XJ chainsaw: specs, value, battery ecosystem and best buy for UK gardens.

	DEWALT 18V XR Brushless 30cm Compact Chainsaw, Too...	EGO Power+ LB5300 3-Speed Turbo 56-Volt 530 CFM Co...
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Price	**£225.20**	£227.53
Rating	4.5/5	**4.6/5**
Reviews	**1667**	1084

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DEWALT 18V XR Brushless 30cm Compact Chainsaw, Tool Only, DCM565N-XJ

£225.20 4.5★

EGO Power+ LB5300 3-Speed Turbo 56-Volt 530 CFM Cordless Leaf Blower Battery and...

£227.53 4.6★

Display This comparison doesn’t involve screens or displays, so there is no winner here in the usual sense. What matters instead is how clearly each tool communicates its operating state. The EGO LB5300 uses a straightforward 3-speed layout with turbo mode, which makes it easy to understand and use quickly. The DEWALT DCM565N-XJ is similarly simple, with a brushless motor and variable control suited to cutting work. For usability feedback, the EGO is slightly more intuitive for quick, repetitive outdoor jobs, so it wins on simplicity of operation.

Performance This is where the products diverge completely. The EGO LB5300 is rated at 530 CFM, which is a strong figure for a cordless blower and makes it effective for shifting wet leaves, grass clippings and autumn debris across typical UK gardens. In practice, that means it’s better for medium to larger lawns, block-paved drives and patios where speed matters. The DEWALT DCM565N-XJ is a 30cm compact chainsaw, so its performance is measured in cutting ability rather than airflow. It excels at pruning branches, cutting firewood and handling garden maintenance after storms or seasonal pruning. Overall performance winner depends on task, but for raw power and broader garden-clearing usefulness, the EGO wins because it tackles a wider range of cleanup jobs faster.

Build quality and design Both brands have strong reputations, and both tools are well regarded by users: EGO has a 4.6/5 rating from 1,084 reviews, while DEWALT has a 4.5/5 rating from 1,667 reviews. The EGO LB5300 is a purpose-built blower with a relatively simple design, and that usually means fewer compromises in handling and balance. DEWALT's DCM565N-XJ is a compact chainsaw with brushless motor tech, which generally improves efficiency and durability while keeping the tool manageable in hand. For build quality and design, DEWALT edges it because a compact chainsaw demands more from the engineering, and its brushless platform is a proven strength for longevity and controlled power delivery.

Battery life Neither tool includes a battery or charger, so the real battery-life question is platform-dependent. The EGO is on the 56-Volt platform, which is known for high output and is well suited to demanding outdoor tools like blowers. That typically translates to strong burst performance, especially in turbo mode, though runtime will depend heavily on battery size. The DEWALT runs on 18V XR batteries, which are widely available and often shared across a large tool range, making ownership convenient if you already have DEWALT kit. For battery life in real use, the DEWALT can be more practical for existing users because 18V XR batteries are common and easy to swap, but the EGO wins on output per tool when you need sustained blowing power. If judged purely on runtime efficiency for the job, the DEWALT has the slight edge for general DIY users; if judged on output, the EGO is stronger.

Price and value for money At £227.53 for the EGO and £225.20 for the DEWALT, the price difference is only £2.33, so value depends almost entirely on what problem you are solving. The EGO is excellent value if you need a blower that can clear leaves, hedge trimmings and grass cuttings quickly across a typical UK garden, especially in damp autumn conditions when debris sticks to surfaces. The DEWALT is better value if you need a chainsaw for pruning fruit trees, cutting logs for a burner, or tidying storm-damaged branches. Because neither includes battery or charger, the total cost of ownership can rise sharply if you do not already own the relevant platform. On pure value for the average homeowner, the EGO wins if your priority is general garden cleanup, because a blower gets used more often and saves more time across the year.

Game library/features Again, there is no game library here, but feature sets matter. The EGO LB5300 offers 3-speed control plus turbo, which is exactly what you want from a blower: lower settings for light debris and max power for stubborn leaves. That makes it flexible across seasons, from summer grass clippings to autumn leaf fall. The DEWALT DCM565N-XJ's key feature is its 30cm bar in a compact, brushless format, which is ideal for pruning and smaller cutting tasks. It is not meant to replace a full-size chainsaw, but it is a very useful garden tool for households with trees, hedges and occasional log cutting needs. Feature winner goes to the EGO because the speed control and turbo mode make it more versatile in day-to-day use.

Overall user experience The EGO is the easier tool to live with if your main pain point is garden mess. It is quicker to deploy, less intimidating, and more likely to be used regularly after mowing or during autumn clear-ups. The DEWALT is more specialised, but for the right user it is incredibly satisfying: compact, capable and far more useful than a blower when branches need cutting. In UK conditions, where gardens are often modest in size and jobs are seasonal, the blower tends to deliver more frequent convenience. The chainsaw is the better buy only if you already know you need cutting power, not just cleanup.

Overall summary: if you want the tool that will save you the most time across an average UK garden year, buy the EGO LB5300. If your garden work regularly involves pruning, firewood or storm cleanup, the DEWALT DCM565N-XJ is the more appropriate specialist tool. With prices almost identical, the decision is really about task type: blower for cleanup, chainsaw for cutting.

Winner: a

The EGO Power+ LB5300 is the better all-round buy for most people because it solves the more common garden problem: clearing leaves, clippings and debris quickly. Its 530 CFM output and 3-speed turbo control make it especially useful in UK autumn conditions and on patios, drives and lawns. The DEWALT is excellent, but it is a specialist cutting tool, so fewer homeowners will use it as often. At almost the same price, the EGO gives more day-to-day value for the average buyer.

Buy Product A If...

Buy Product A if your main job is clearing leaves, grass clippings and general garden debris, especially on patios, drives or medium-sized lawns. It is also the better choice if you want a quick, low-fuss tool for seasonal cleanup and already own EGO batteries. Choose it if you value speed, convenience and broad usefulness over cutting capability.

Buy Product B If...

Buy Product B if you regularly prune branches, cut logs for a burner, or need a compact saw for storm damage and general tree work. It makes sense if you already use DEWALT 18V XR batteries and want to stay in one platform. Choose it if you need a chainsaw more than a blower and want a proven brushless tool from a large battery ecosystem.

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